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Report of the First Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The item entitled "Maintenance of international security" was included in the provisional agenda of the fiftieth session of the General Assembly in accordance with Assembly resolution 48/84 B of 16 December 1993 and decision 49/428 of 15 December 1994.

2. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 22 September 1995, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include the item in its agenda and to allocate it to the First Committee.

3. At its 2nd meeting, on 12 October 1995, the First Committee decided to hold a general debate on all disarmament and international security items allocated to it, namely, items 57 to 78, 80 and 81. The deliberations on those items took place at the 3rd to 11th meetings, from 16 to 20 and on 25 and 26 October 1995. Structured discussions of specific subjects within the adopted thematic approach were held from 30 October to 3 November. Consideration of draft resolutions on the items took place at the 13th to 17th meetings, from 6 to 9 November. Action on the draft resolutions was taken at the 18th to 29th meetings, on 10, 13 to 17, 20 and 21 November.

4. In connection with item 81, the First Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the development of good-neighbourly relations among Balkan States (A/50/412 and Add.1);

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(b) Letter dated 10 January 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/62-S/1995/17);

(c) Letter dated 10 February 1995 from the Permanent Representatives of Kazakstan and the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/83);

(d) Letter dated 24 March 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/97);

(e) Letter dated 4 April 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/99-S/1995/258);

(f) Letter dated 22 March 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Kazakstan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/120);

(g) Letter dated 27 March 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Bahrain to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/123-S/1995/228);

(h) Letter dated 12 April 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/137-S/1995/295);

(i) Letter dated 20 April 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/162-S/1995/324);

(j) Letter dated 26 April 1995 from the representatives of Kazakstan, Kyrgyzstan, the Russian Federation, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/165-S/1995/336);

(k) Letter dated 9 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Greece to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/216-S/1995/476);

(l) Letter dated 13 June 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/219-S/1995/482);

(m) Letter dated 16 June 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/221);

(n) Letter dated 21 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/256-S/1995/505);

(o) Letter dated 29 June 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Greece to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/264-S/1995/526);

(p) Letter dated 6 July 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/270-S/1995/543);

(q) Letter dated 12 July 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/279-S/1995/568);

(r) Letter dated 20 July 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/303-S/1995/603);

(s) Letter dated 3 August 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/328-S/1995/644);

(t) Letter dated 4 August 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/331-S/1995/656);

(u) Letter dated 6 August 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/336-S/1995/663);

(v) Letter dated 7 August 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/339-S/1995/667);

(w) Letter dated 10 August 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/344-S/1995/682);

(x) Letter dated 10 August 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/348-S/1995/685);

(y) Letter dated 13 August 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/351-S/1995/692);

(z) Letter dated 13 August 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/352-S/1995/693 and Corr.1 and 2);

(aa) Letter dated 28 August 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/389-S/1995/745);

(bb) Letter dated 1 September 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Romania to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/406);

(cc) Letter dated 14 September 1995 from the Permanent Representative of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/435-S/1995/793);

(dd) Letter dated 24 October 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/702-S/1995/900);

(ee) Letter dated 3 November 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/50/720-S/1995/921).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTIONS

A. Draft resolution A/C.1/50/L.9

5. At the 16th meeting, on 8 November, the representative of Turkmenistan, on behalf of Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Colombia, Egypt, Georgia, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Senegal, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan and Ukraine, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Permanent neutrality of Turkmenistan" (A/C.1/50/L.9), which was later also sponsored by Bangladesh, Belarus, the Czech Republic, France, India, Indonesia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Kenya, Mauritius, Pakistan, the Republic of Moldova and the Russian Federation.

6. At its 22nd meeting, on 15 November, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.1/50/L.9 without a vote (see para. 9, draft resolution A).

B. Draft resolution A/C.1/50/L.43

7. At the 17th meeting, on 9 November, the representative of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, on behalf of Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Development of good-neighbourly relations among Balkan States" (A/C.1/50/L.43), which was later also sponsored by Albania, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, France, Iceland, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Poland and Slovakia.

8. At its 23rd meeting, on 16 November, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.1/50/L.43 without a vote (see para. 9, draft resolution B).

III. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FIRST COMMITTEE

9. The First Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

Maintenance of international security

A

Permanent neutrality of Turkmenistan

The General Assembly,

Having considered the question of the permanent neutrality of Turkmenistan,

Reaffirming the sovereign right of every State to determine independently its foreign policy in accordance with the norms and principles of international law and the Charter of the United Nations,

Welcoming the legislative confirmation by Turkmenistan of its status of permanent neutrality,

Welcoming the desire of Turkmenistan to play an active and positive role in developing peaceful, friendly and mutually beneficial relations with the countries of the region and other States of the world,

Expressing the hope that the status of permanent neutrality of Turkmenistan will contribute to the strengthening of peace and security in the region,

Taking note of the support by the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries and by the Economic Cooperation Organization of the status of permanent neutrality of Turkmenistan,

Recognizing that the adoption by Turkmenistan of the status of permanent neutrality does not affect the fulfilment of its obligations under the Charter and will contribute to the achievement of the purposes of the United Nations,

1. Recognizes and supports the status of permanent neutrality declared by Turkmenistan;

2. Calls upon States Members of the United Nations to respect and support this status of Turkmenistan and also to respect its independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity.

B

Development of good-neighbourly relations among Balkan States

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2625 (XXV) of 24 October 1970, the annex to which contains the Declaration on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Cooperation among States in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, 46/62 of 9 December 1991 and 48/84 B of 16 December 1993,

Affirming its determination that all nations should live together in peace with one another as good neighbours,

Emphasizing the urgency of the consolidation of the Balkans as a region of peace, security, stability and good-neighbourliness, thus contributing to the maintenance of international peace and security and so enhancing the prospects for sustained development and prosperity for all its peoples,

Noting the desire of the Balkan States to develop good-neighbourly relations among themselves and friendly relations with all nations in accordance with the Charter,

Welcoming the present international efforts aimed at achieving an overall political settlement of the conflict in the former Yugoslavia,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the development of good-neighbourly relations among the Balkan States, 1/

Stressing the importance of the ongoing cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe,

Taking note of its deliberations on the subject at its present session,

1. Notes with interest the views of some States on the development of good-neighbourly relations among the Balkan States contained in the report of the Secretary-General;

2. Urges relevant international organizations and competent bodies and organizations of the United Nations system to submit to the Secretary-General their views on the subject;

3. Calls upon all Balkan States to endeavour to promote good-neighbourly relations and continually to undertake unilateral and joint activities, particularly confidence-building measures as appropriate, in particular within the framework of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe;

4. Emphasizes the importance for all Balkan States to promote mutual cooperation in all fields;

5. Stresses that closer engagement of Balkan States in cooperation arrangements on the European continent will favourably influence the political and economic situation in the region, as well as the good-neighbourly relations among all Balkan States;

6. Urges normalization of the relations among all States of the Balkan region;

7. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to seek the views of the Member States, particularly those from the Balkan region, and of international organizations, as well as of competent organs of the United Nations, on the development of good-neighbourly relations in the region and on measures and preventive activities aimed at the creation of a stable zone of peace and

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cooperation in the Balkans by the year 2000, and to submit a report to the General Assembly at the fifty-second session taking into account, inter alia, the views expressed by Member States;

8. Decides to consider the report of the Secretary-General on the subject at its fifty-second session.